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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

SECTION 1. That the object of the State University, established by the Constitution of the State, at or near the Falls of Saint Anthony, shall be to provide the best and most efficient means of imparting to the youth of the State, an education more advanced than that given in the public schools, and a thorough knowledge of the branches of literature, the arts and sciences, with their various applications.

SEC. 2. There shall be attached to the University a Collegiate Department, in which as soon as may be deemed expedient by the Board of Regents, hereinafter provided, regular College Classes shall be formed and a Chancellor and the necessary professors, tutors and other officers elected.

SEC. 3. There shall also be a department for the training of teachers for the common schools of the State, in which shall be taught the theory and practice of teaching, and everything that will tend to perfect the elementary and other public schools of the State.

SEC. 4. The University shall be governed and managed by a Board of Regents, consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chancellor, and five electors of the State to be ap-

Object of State University

Collegiate department

Teachers' department

Government of University

pointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, immediately after the passage of this Act, and such other persons as may be appointed in accordance with a subsequent provision. Two of the five persons thus appointed shall hold their office for two (2) years, and three for four (4) years. At the expiration of their terms, successors shall be appointed in the same way for a period of four (4) years. Whenever a vacancy occurs by death, resignation, or removal from the State or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Governor to fill the vacancy, subject to the confirmation of the Senate.

SEC. 5. Any person or persons contributing a sum of not less than fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars, shall have the privilege of endowing a Professorship in the University, the name and object of which shall be designated by the Board of Regents. Said person or persons shall have the right to nominate Trustees for the care of the endowment, also an individual to fill the Professorship, and a Regent who shall have the same rights and privileges as those appointed in behalf of the State.

Contributor may
endow professor-
ship

SEC. 6. The University shall never be under the control of any religious denomination.

SEC. 7. The Chancellor's term of office shall be the same in duration as that of District Judge, and his compensation for the performance of his duties as Chancellor shall be such as the Legislature may designate from time to time.

Term of office &
compensation of
Chancellor.

SEC. 8. The Board of Regents shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer who shall hold their respective offices during the pleasure of the Board of Regents. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record all the proceedings of the Board and carefully preserve all its books and papers, and before entering on the duties of the same he shall take and subscribe an oath to perform his duties honestly and faithfully. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep an exact and faithful account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and before entering upon the duties of his office, he shall take and subscribe an oath that he will faithfully perform the duties of Treasurer, and he shall also give a bond in the penalty of twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties as Treasurer, and that he will at all times keep and render a true account of all moneys received by him as such Treasurer, and of the disposition he has made of the same, and that he will at all times be ready to discharge himself of the trust, and to pay over when required, which bond shall have two good sureties, and shall be approved as to its form and the sufficiency of its sureties by the Board of Regents and also the Auditor and Secretary of State, and shall be filed in the office of the latter. The compensation of the Treasurer shall be the same as may be from time to time designated by the Legislature.

Secretary and
Treasurer— duty
of Secretary

Duty of Treasur-
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Specimens to belong to University—copies of laws deposited in library

SEC. 9. In all cases where specimens of natural history and geological and mineralogical specimens, which may be hereafter collected by any one appointed by the State to investigate its natural history and physical resources, they shall belong to, and be the property of the State University. There shall also be deposited in the Library of the University a copy of all the laws, reports, journals of the Legislature and other documents published at the expense of the State.

Departments and government of University

SEC. 10. The University shall consist of such departments as the Board of Regents shall determine, subject to the provisions of this Act, and the same may be altered or changed as they may prescribe. The immediate government of the several departments shall be intrusted to the Chancellor and Faculty. The method and course of instruction in each department shall be prescribed by the Board of Regents, who shall also confer such degrees, and grant such diplomas as are usually conferred by Universities, or such others as they may deem proper.

Power of Regents

SEC. 11. The Board of Regents shall have power, and it shall be their duty to make laws for the government of the University, to elect a Chancellor, also the requisite number of professors and tutors, and such other officers as they may deem expedient, and to determine the amount of their respective salaries, except the salary of the Chancellor. They shall have the power to remove any officer connected with the institution, when the good of the institution demands.

Regents may expend funds for certain purposes

SEC. 12. The Board of Regents are authorized to expend such portion of the University fund as they may deem expedient in the purchase of apparatus, library and cabinet of natural history, in providing suitable means to keep and preserve the same, and in the procurement of all other means and facilities for giving instruction.

Meetings of Regents

Chancellor may call special

SEC. 13. The first meeting of the Board of Regents shall be called by the present Chancellor on or before the first Thursday in April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, at the Capitol; the annual meeting of the Board shall be held on the last Tuesday of June, at the city of St. Anthony, unless otherwise ordered by a majority of said Board of five Regents. The Chancellor may call special meetings of the Board when he deems it expedient. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum to do business.

Treasurer to keep suitable books—what to contain

SEC. 14. The Treasurer of the University shall have a suitable set of books in which he shall keep an accurate account of all transactions relative to the sale and disposition of the University lands, and the management of the fund arising therefrom; which books shall exhibit what parts and portions of land have been sold, at what prices, and to whom, and how the proceeds have been invested, and on what securities, and what land remains unsold, where situated, and of what value respectively.

SEC. 15. No sales of lands belonging to the University shall take place unless the same shall be decided upon at a regular meeting of the Board of Regents, or at one called for that purpose, and then only in the manner, upon the notice and on the terms which the Board shall prescribe, and which is authorized by the Constitution, and no member of the Board shall be directly or indirectly interested in any such purchase of such lands upon sale, and it shall be the duty of the Board to invest any such surplus income arising therefrom, which is not immediately required for the purposes of instruction, in United States, or in other well-established, interest-paying State Stocks, as a perpetual fund for the purpose of securing an income to defray the necessary current expenses as said Board of Regents may deem expedient.

Lands when sold

SEC. 16. The Board of Regents shall make an annual report through the Secretary which shall exhibit the state, condition and progress of the University in its several departments, the different courses of study pursued therein, the branches taught, the means and method of instruction adopted, the number of professors and students, with their names, ages, studies and residences, the situation and condition of the University fund, the income derived therefrom, a specific statement of the amount of expenditures, and such other matter as said Board of Regents may deem proper to communicate. said report shall be completed and deposited in the office of Secretary of State, one month previous to the annual State election, and shall be transmitted by the Governor to the Legislature when the same shall convene.

Regents to make annual report—what to exhibit

SEC. 17. Chapter twenty-eight (28) of the Revised Statutes of the Territory of Minnesota on pages one hundred and forty-two, (142), one hundred and forty-three (143) and one hundred and forty-four (144), relating to the University of Minnesota, and containing twenty (20) Sections, is hereby repealed, except so much of Section thirteen (13) as is referred to in Article nine (9), Section eight (8), of the Constitution; *Provided, also,* That the Regents of said University hereafter appointed shall continue as a body corporate in accordance with Section seven (7) of said Chapter twenty-eight (28).

Repeal of Revised Statutes

SEC. 18. This Act shall be in force from and after its passage.

AMOS COGGSWELL,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY,

President of the Senate.

Approved February fourteenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, MINNESOTA, }
February 14th, 1860.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

J. H. BAKER, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER LXXXI.

An Act to suspend an act entitled "An Act for the establishment of State Normal Schools."

- SECTION 1. Suspension of act for term of five years.
2. Act to take effect on passage.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Suspension of act,
for five years

SECTION 1. That the act to provide for the establishment of State Normal Schools, passed August second, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, be and the same and every part thereof is hereby suspended for the term of five years from the passage of this Act, and no proceedings or acts shall be had or done under or by virtue of the same, and the same shall be of no validity whatever for and during said five years; *Provided*, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed as applying or in any manner affecting the State Normal School at Winona already established at Winona.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

AMOS COGGSWELL,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY,
President of the Senate.

Approved February twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, MINNESOTA, }
February 29th, 1860. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

J. H. BAKER, Secretary of State.